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TAGS: PINT, PFOR, CH

SUBJ: DAVID ROCKEFELLER VISIT: BANQUET CHATS WITH THE CHINESE

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1. AT RETURN BANQUET HOSTED EVENING JANUARY 13 BY DAVID ROCKEFELLER FOR CHINESE PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE OF FOREIGN AFFAIRES (CPIFA), CONVERSATION TURNED INEVITABLY TO SUBJECT OF TENG HSIAO-PING. ASKED WHETHER TENG'S "COMBACK" WAS IMMINENT, CQM

TOR OF PALACE MUSEUM W CHUNG-CH'AO FIRST EXPRESSED UNCERTAINTY AS TO MEANING OF WORD (NANCY TANG WAS INTERPRETER). WHEN THE TERM WAS DEFINED AS A RETURN TO A HIGH OFFICIAL POSITION, WU THREW COLD WATER ON THE NOTION THAT TENG MIGHT RETURN SOON. DECLARING THAT TENG HAD MADE "SERIOUS MISTAKES," WU CAUTIONED AGAINST BELIEVING THE VARIOUS PRESS ACCOUNTS OF DELIBERATIONS ON TENG'S FATE.

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2. FOREIGN MINISTER HUANG HUA HOSTED NOON BANQUET ON JANUARY 14 FOR ROCKEFELLER AND EXTENDED INVITATION TO AMBASSADOR GATES. IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION AT TABLE, NANCY TANG TOLD AMBASSADOR GATES THAT:
--THERE WOULD BE NO MEETING OF CEREMONY ON JANUARY 15. SHE DISPARAGED PRESS SPECULATION AS

"ENTIRELY WRONG...THE JOURNALISTS PRINT 30,000 WORDS
A DAY AND THEY ARE ALMOST ALL WRONG." SHE INDICATED
THAT SHE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY INVITATIONS HAVING BEEN
EXTENDED TO JOURNALISTS TO ATTEND CEREMONIES ON THE 15TH.
--WANG HAI-JUNG IS NOT IN TROUBLE; PRESS REPORTS
TO THE CONTRARY ARE ERRONEOUS, WHICH WILL BE
DEMONSTRATED BY HER ATTENDANCE AT MR. ROCKEFELLER'S
MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY WITH VICE PREMIER
LI HSIEN-NIEN.

3. DURING COURSE OF BANQUET, AMBASSADOR GATES NOTED
THAT HE HAD READ WITH INTEREST THE ARTICLE RUN IN
PEOPLE'S DAILY BY THE FOREIGN MINISTRY THEORETICAL
STUDY GROUP. FONMIN HUANLIHUA AVOIDED SUBSTANTIVE
REPLY, NOTING ONLY THAT THE ARTICLE HAD BEEN
RESEARCHED BY MEMBERS OF THE CPIFA--DESCRIBED YESTERDAY
AND TODAY BY CHINESE OFFICIALS AS A "THINK TANK
SIMILAR TO RAND OR THE BROOKINGS INSTITUTION."

4. REMARKS BY CHINESE OFFICIALS ON FROZEN ASSETS
QUESTION WILL BE REPORTED BY SEPTTEL.
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